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SUBJECT: US/BAHAMAS MARITIME BOUNDARIES

REF: (A) NASSAU 0094; (B) NASSAU 174

1) DEPT HAS NOT RECEIVED INTERAGENCY CLEARANCE ON ENFORCE-
MENT LIMITS OF THE US FISHERY CONSERVATION ZONE IN MARITIME
AREAS BETWEEN THE BAHAMAS AND UNITED STATES.

2) HOPEFULLY, WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS, A FISHERY ENFORCE-
MENT POSITION CAN BE CLEARED AND CONSULTATIONS CAN BE
INITIATED WITH GCOB.

3) EMBASSY SHOULD CHECK AVAILABILITY OF DATES OF GCOB
OFFICIALS. DEPT IS CURRENTLY THINKING OF FEBRUARY 17 OR 21.

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PRESUMABLY, ONLY ONE DAY WOULD BE NECESSARY FOR SUCH
CONSULTATIONS. THESE CONSULTATIONS SHOULD BE REGARDED
AS CONSULTATIONS RELATING TO THE LIMITS OF FISHERY JURIS-
DICTION AND SHOULD NOT BE BILLED AS BEING CONNECTED
TO LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE ISSUES.

4) GCOB SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO TAKE NO ACTION REGARDING

EXTENDING ITS JURISDICTION UNTIL AFTER SUCH CONSULTATIONS
ARE HELD. EMBASSY SHOULD AVOID REFERENCE TO US MARITIME
BOUNDARY POSITION, BUT, IF ASKED, CAN INDICATE THAT WITH

RESPECT TO THE BLAKE PLATEAU, IT BELIEVES A REASONABLE
POSITION WOULD HAVE TO BE SOMETHING OTHER THAN EQUIDIS-
TANCE. ON THE ECONOMIC ZONE VERSUS FISHERY ZONE ISSUE,
GCOB SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO CONSIDER A FISHERY ZONE AND
NOT AN ECONOMIC ZONE.
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